

# WIRE *form*

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\_\_\_\_\_ Suburb/Town \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Membership \_\_\_\_\_

- Organisation **\$100** (or whatever is affordable)  
 Individual **\$50**  
 Concession **\$25**

## Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible

## Payment \_\_\_\_\_

- VISA  Mastercard  Bank Card  
 Cheque enclosed

Card number

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Expiry date  /

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear off this slip and return it to:

WIRE - Women's Information  
Queen Victoria Women's Centre  
Level 1, 210 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne 3000

*thank you for your support*

## Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

WIRE has developed a model of training and support that ensures dedicated volunteers. You need to be at least 21, committed to working with women and have enthusiasm, good communication skills, an openness to diversity, and a willingness to be challenged.

As a Registered Training Organisation our twelve-week training course is the equivalent of six units of competency from the Community Services Training Package.

Successful trainees receive a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment and credit at other RTOs.

Call 1300 134 130 for more information.



*at wire, women  
take time to  
listen to other  
women in need.*

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## Contact WIRE \_\_\_\_\_

Listening, informing, empowering, and connecting Victorian women for over 21 years.

**1300 134 130**

▶ From 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday for the cost of a local call from anywhere in the state (excluding mobiles).

If you would prefer to talk to WIRE in your own language we have a Telephone Interpreter Service available.

**13 36 77**

▶ TTY National Relay Service for hearing and speech impaired women

## Visit the Women's Information Centre:

Ground Floor,  
Queen Victoria Women's Centre,  
210 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne 3000

**EMAIL:** [inforequests@wire.org.au](mailto:inforequests@wire.org.au)

**WEBSITE:** [www.wire.org.au](http://www.wire.org.au)

**OPEN:** 10.30am-5.00pm Monday to Friday

## WIRE - Women's Information Administration

Level 1, 210 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne 3000

Women's Information Referral Exchange Inc.  
Reg. No. A122 ABN 98 957 157 895

*talk things through with wire*

*about us*



## What is WIRE?

WIRE is the only Victoria-wide generalist information and referral service run for women by women. We have been listening and giving voice to the experiences of women for over 21 years. Last year alone we answered 18,000 requests for information and assistance.

## Why use WIRE?

WIRE provides emotional and practical support with...

- Abuse, stalking or bullying
- Family or relationship difficulties
- Making ends meet or finding somewhere to live
- Getting legal advice
- Worries about sexuality
- Finding work, starting a business, training or study options
- Finding a female doctor, counselor or tradesperson
- Becoming more involved in your community
- And anything you want to talk through

*wire helps you  
make your  
own decisions*

## What happens when you talk to WIRE?

You will speak to a skilled, sensitive and supportive woman. Our volunteers and staff range in age from 21 to 60 plus, have a broad range of life experiences and backgrounds and have completed an intensive twelve-week training course.

When you contact WIRE we will:

- Respect your privacy – we don't ask your name or keep any records of our conversation
- Take the time to really listen to you and understand your situation
- Support you to recognise your own strengths and resources
- Give you relevant up-to-date information
- Connect you to further support using our database of services and practitioners
- Help you to navigate community service systems
- Work with you to look at all your options and form a plan of action

After talking to WIRE we hope you will feel heard, empowered, connected and clearer about what to do next.

## Drop in

There's no need to make an appointment, just drop in for:

- Face-to-face support information and referrals
- Support in looking for a job, returning to study, or searching the Internet
- Information on topics ranging from health to legal rights
- Free computers with internet and printing facilities
- Free basic computer tutorials
- A community notice board
- A comfy couch to take a break, feed the baby, or have a chat

## Visit our website

Search our online database of over 3,000 community services, access information sheets on issues like debt, leaving a relationship and mental health, read about our events and projects and find useful links.

## Seminars

Come to a free seminar with guest speakers on topics of relevance to women. Check our website, or email [wire@wire.org.au](mailto:wire@wire.org.au) to subscribe to our email bulletin.

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## *support us*

Women need WIRE. While WIRE receives funding from the Victorian Government, it remains one of the few independent women's services. We rely on support from organisations and individuals to help us spread the word about our vital service.

By donating or becoming a member of WIRE, you're supporting an organisation that makes a real and lasting difference to the every-day lives of women and their children. You also receive our biannual newsletter *Hot Wire* and invitations to WIRE events.

This year, to help over 18,000 Victorian women, simply fill in the reverse of this panel and mail it to us.

*no matter  
what your  
issue or  
problem, wire  
is always  
a great  
starting point.*